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## Notes on People

## Former Chief of C.I.A. Honored by O.S.S. Veterans

The William J. Donovan Award, named for the late major general who founded the Office of Strategic Services during World War II, is given by O.S.S. veterans each year to those who have rendered singular and distinguished service to the United States, though not necessarily in the intelligence field.

Previous winners, for example, have included the late Senator Everett Dirksen of Illinois, the Apollo II astronauts and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain.

This year's winner, however, does have a background in intelligence. He

is John A. McCone, the California industrialist whose various government positions included a stint as Director of Central Intelligence. The Central Intelligence Agency, which he headed, was an outgrowth of the wartime O.S.S.

The award will be presented May 22 at a dinner in San Francisco, where the 80-year-old Mr. McCone makes his home. To help assure its success, the veterans organization has persuaded two former medal winners, former President Gerald R. Ford and William J. Casey, the current Director of Central Intelligence, to serve as chairmen of the dinner.